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Honorable Richard J. Holwell  
United States District Court  
for the Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1950  
New York, NY 10007-1312

AUG 24 2006

Re: In re "A Million Little Pieces" Litigation, No. 06-MDL-1771

Dear Judge Holwell:

I am lead counsel for defendants Random House, Inc. and Doubleday, Inc., the publisher of the book at issue in the above matter. The Court has scheduled an initial hearing in this case for September 13 at 10:00 a.m. I am writing to request that the Court move the hearing from the morning to the afternoon that same day in order to permit my attendance at the hearing. The reason for my request is that I recently received notice from the New Jersey Appellate Court setting oral argument for that same day and time in Trenton in Paretti v. Citimortgage, No. A-006261-04T1 (N.J. App.), a case in which I represent all defendants. I have already asked for and received permission from the New Jersey appellate court to move the Paretti case to first on the call so I can attend the hearing in the above matter as expeditiously as possible.

I recognize that scheduling this hearing has been difficult, given the need to accommodate the schedules of numerous lawyers. However, I have spoken either directly or indirectly with plaintiffs' counsel in 10 of the 12 consolidated cases, as well as counsel for defendant James Frey, and none of them has any objection to this request. I appreciate your honor's consideration of my request.

*Application Granted*  
*Conference adjourned*

Sincerely,

*Mark B. Blocker*

Mark B. Blocker

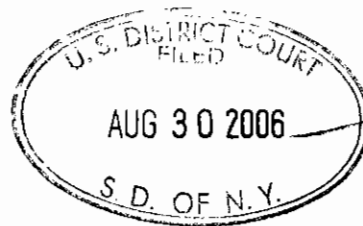
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*to 2:30 p.m.*  
*on September 13, 2006*

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*SO ORDERED*



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